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# SURVIVE

## Attlee Appeals To The Nation

London, Mar. 18. Mr Clement Attlee, Britain's Premier, 'to-night broadcast a "Work to Survive" message to the nation. He said the difficulties facing the nation were too serious and a challenge too immediate to allow him to indulge in party scores.

Giving the Government's plan for Britain to overcome the difficulties facing ber be reaffirmed his faith in l the ability of the British people. "The British people are never daunted by difficulties; the greater the emergency the more readily they respond to the call for service. We shall win in the peace just as we did in the war," he said.

"Some people abroad were suggesting that the day of Britain was over. Some of them thought so in the war, but they discovered their mistake. Britain showed the world that she could stand up to terrible odds in the defence of the British way of life. We will show the world to-day that British democracy can, by self-discipline and the team-spirit, overcome our economic troubles and so move on to better times for all,"

#### TWO BIG TASKS

As a nation Britain had two tasks --- to provide goods and services for home needs and to pay for food and raw materials she must get from ubroad.

"We want a sustained effort by the nation, but to be effective this effort must be well directed," he said. It was vitally important that the basic industries should have all the workers and equipment they needed. "Let us all work together cheerfully. The main axis of fighting between We understand team work from the the rebels and loyalists is the northgames we play. We will continue to south highway running along the aid. It carried a strict stipulation were supposed to-and that every play our names, but we must not let east bank of the Paraguay River, that the American military missions effort should be made to comb them them take precedence of work."---Reuter.

# Scouring Seas For Survivors

destroyers steaming north from Caballero and Capitan Bado. Dearborn" last Wednesday.

long-range military aircraft which while they carry out a broad flankhave been searching the stormy ing movement which would permit waters each day.

The mich 'abourd the lifeboat are jenst. clated Press.

## Conserintion Oppposition.

Parllament. to-night a motion calling for t rejection of the National Service --conscription-Bill.

The motion was in the form ( of an amendment demanding that the Bill be "read again this day six months" the equivalent of rejection of the measure. Its supporters included those. who object to conscription on conscientious grounds. Left wingers and those who believe b that the Government should not the up manpower in-military commitments in the midst of

economie crisis, Many of the signers were reported to be determined to force the issue to division and vote against the Government, The Labour Party In the past 自 traditionally has opposed conscription on conscientious grounds.—United Press.

# lengaranganinganinganinganinganingan abab-garasangangangan Paraguay State War

Asuncion, Paraguay, Mar. 19. The Paraguayan government declared to-day that the entire country was in a state of war.— | Associated Press.

REBELS HOLD LINE

Buenos Aires, Mar. 18. The entire northeastern corner of Paraguay, bounded in the west by the river Paraguny, north and eas by the Brazil frontier and the south roughly by a line of the river Ypane, is after II days of civil war firmly held by rebel troops seeking to overthrow the Morinigo Government

rebel headquarters are located.

stretch of highway running through Relations Committee dold the Senate armed forces.-United Press. the towns of Belen, Belencue and San that "the bipartisan foreign policy

### LIKELY STRATECY

watching with more interest the

the broken tanker "Fort believed here that the rebels' plan Press. is to hald back the loyalist forces to A naval surface force will join the Concepcion-Asuncion highway them to approach Asuncion from the

removed yesterday and 10 on Friday while Concepcion claimed that government. from the forward section .- Asso- |30,000 are bearing arms against the Morinigo Government.—Reuter.

### EDITORIAL

#### Overdue Appointment

MHE Hongkong government has I never been very publicityminded; pre-war, its departments preferred dumbness and isolation to frankness and friendliness, so far as the press was concerned. In September, 1945, a Government Public Relations Office was established, and to the astonishment of a number of officials, became a the neglected. Immediately after fairly effective mouthplece. The | the tragic death of Mr Pollock press welcomed it, as a medium for obtaining authentic and upto-date information about, and Interpretation of Government policy and action. The primary functions of a PRO are now well recognised—speaking and explaining for Government; liaisonship; propaganda. In those three fields alone it can give an invaluable service to the community. Its information is based on accurate and official knowledge; lis liaison work formulated. through proper contacts; its proparands dependent upon sound | and explain Government's actions and intelligent understanding of and intentions. It is full-time local requirements.

an effective Government PRO in made at the earliest possible Hongkong is accepted, and beat moment.

cause of this, we feel that too much time has been taken in uppointing a permanent Public Relations Officer. The existing arrangement is especially deplorable because two men are being used to keep the PRO ticking over while their own important jobs in other departments are having to who arrived at the end of last year to assume the permanent PRO position, an appeal was made to London to despatch as, quickly as possible another man to take over the department. The request has been ignored. But. Government cannot afford to let this drift any longer. It has now been satisfactorily established that a PRO is an essential medlum between Government and the public. At this time, more than ever, officialdom needs an effective; spokesman to inform work for an appropriately trained man, and it is Government's duty The importance and necessity of to see that an appointment is

# Destroyers

Washington, Mar. 19. The navy disclosed orders for a United States Task Force to visit Greek and Turkish watersincluding the strategic Dardanelles—while the State Department called for speed on President Harry Truman's programme to halt the spread of communism.

A navy announcement which spoke of "training purposes" said the 27,000-ton aircraft-carrier Leyte would depart from Quonset Point, Rhodes Island early in April.

-creased,

light cruisers and six destroyers. A preliminary report from London numed the cruisers as Providence, Portsmouth and Dayton. Two des- taken a decidedly bearish view of had received reparations of US\$10,troyers will escort the Leyte across the international situation, seeming- | 000,000,000 worth of German the Atlantic.

to Greece and Turkey.

#### MAJOR MOVES

There were plenty of words elsewhere, however, with these major developments;

been tripped and is falling.

2.-Representative Eaton, Republican of New Jersey, Chairman of |would die" if the Democratic or Re-

Observers here, however, are tates of any party managers." He thus rejected a suggestion by rebel movements along the Brazil Mr Neal Sullivan, Executive Director frontier and here after a drive of the Democratic National Commit-One of the greatest sea searches northeast and east from Concepcion, tee that the Republican and Demoin the Pacific maritime history start- they have captured the frontier cratic party leaders join in a stateed with the cruiser Tuscon and 19 towns of Bella Vista, Pedro Juan ment praising Mr Truman on the

Greek Turkish issue. Pearl Harbour to scan the rolling | Capitan Bado is the terminus of | Mr Vandenberg replied "we have wastes of the Pacific for 12 or 13 the highways running respectively to no sure alternative but to uphold the men missing in a lifebout launched San Pedro and Asuncion and It is President's hands." - Associated

### TO CONTINUE AID

London, Mar. 18. Foreign Office sources said tonight that Britain, for from withdrawing completely from Greece the only crew members of the tanker | It is officially admitted in Asuncion after March 31, would continue to who are not safe. Twenty-two men that the rebel forces have swelled maintain economic, legal and police from the stern section have been from the original 600 men to 3,000 missions there to advise the Greek-

British aid to Turkey since the end of the war largely has been limited to a military mission to train the Turkish army in the use of British weapons and that mission will remain, Foreign Office sources

said. Britain also would be obliged under the Anglo-French-Turkish niliance signed on October 19, 1939, to go to Turkey's assistance if she "became involved in hostilities with ı European power.'

These considerations, along with the British intention to withdraw British garrison troops from Greece a member of the Hongkong Club "as soon as practicable" probably and became an expert performer figured in to-day's Cabinet dis- at the Club's bowling alley. for Greece and Turkey. No details were available of the Cabinet meeting, but it was doubt-

#### | United Press. CABINET DISCUSSION

ful if any decision were taken,—

London, Mar. 18. It was reported that the Cabinet morning session discussed President Truman's message regarding Greece and Turkey despite the fact that the subject was not on the Cabinet's

An official amplified this to say the prectain since Attice's job to-night Leyte would be the flagship of a is concerned mainly with domestic group of warships including three | unity which President Truman's message has not noticeably in-

ly feels that Britain got the worst patents. There was not a word from the of it both ways-it has accepted a Navy to link the cruise with politically and internationally un-President Truman's request for aid stable situation in the Middle East, without even getting permission to withdraw troops from Greece in order to eke out manpower at home; the Stock Exchange does not like it

The National Union of Mine-1.-Under Secretary of State Doan | workers saw Mr Attlee and gave a Acheson said Congressional speed is pledge that the five-day week would of very great importance; that mean no reduction in the output of disaster may result in Greece if | coal. Regarding the concrete questhere is a substantial gap between | tion of whether the present labour the end of the British aid and the force would reach the target of beginning of 'America's. He com- 200,000,000 tons, it is understood that pared Greece to a runner who has the miners replied that it could not be done unless the present force of 700,000 men is increased.

They stressed that thousands of the House Foreign Affairs Committee experienced miners when deintroduced the bill to provide mobilised from the Army failed to US\$400,000,000 for Greek-Turkish return to the mines-though they between Asuncion and Concepcion, sent to help must be limited in out of general industry and return Paraguay's second city, where the number and serve only as advisers, them to the mines. They also 3.—Senator Arthur Vandenberg, alleged that a large number of ex-Both sides claim successes on the Chairman of the Senate for Foreign perienced miners are still in the

# publican lawmakers working in unis field should follow "the political die-tates of any party managers." Hallgren Iragically Dies At Sea

Mr H. Hallgren, managing director of the Swedish Trading Co., Ltd.; died with tragic suddenness yester- meeting by insisting he was not day aboard the Tonghai on his way proposing a return to Yalta but was from Singapore to Hongkong. He merely standing on the view that was 50 years of age.

The late Mr Hallgren was releave in Sweden.

He has been buried at sea. Furthermore, these sources said, official representative of Dutch, adjourn and get ready for our host's Britain possibly may be bound by Belgian, Greek, Mexican, Honduras hospitality." He was referring to her guarantee, given in 1939, to de- and Bolivian nationals, and he pers Mr Molotov's dinner for the Foreign honour in his 73rd birthday.-fend Greece against aggression: formed notable work on behalf of Ministers,-United Press. Whether this guarantee still was internees and prisoners of war, sendoperative, however, was 'an open ing into camps food parcels valued at

> For his services during the occupation, Mr Hallgren was made an Officer of the Order of the Crown of Belgium and he was also the recipient of a certificate of thanks from the Hongkong Commander-in-Chief, Sir Cecil Harcourt. ,

The late Mr Hallgren first came to Hongkong in 1927. He was keenly interested in sport, playing one season for the Hongkong Football Club when he first arrived, and later giving considerable support to South China Athletic Association. He was

#### - Alexandria Bomb Explosion

Alexandria, Mar. 18. A time bomb exploded in the British Institute in central Alexandria nouncement, one of a list of 817 a surname. during the afternoon studies to-day. naturalisations, read: The police cordoned off the institute and the surrounding buildings serving officer in His Majesty's mother's family, 'His mother was a organisation of a central administration of a central administratio It is possible that some echo of dimmediately after the explosion. No forces, 16 Chester Street, London sister of Lord Louis Mountbatten. tion: in Germany to apply economic the morning's discussion may be ensualties are reported but part of S.W.-i, February 28." detected in Prime Minister Clement the institute was damaged and a night though this is by no means were blown out.—Reuter

# CONFLICTS

For the Proprietor of HONGKONG TELEGRAPH,

## Marshall And Molotov

Moscow, Mar. 18. Secretary of State George C. Marshall to-night rejected the Soviet Union's claims for US\$10,000,000,000 worth of German reparations and sharply served notice on the Soviet's Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Molotov that the United States would not follow him "in the retreat from Potsdam to Yalta."

In the sharpest statement the former Chief of Staff has yet made at this conference, General Marshall also accused Molotov of false-The Stock exchange, which has by claiming that the United States

General Marshall countered that by demanding that the Soviets make known to the United States scientific and technological information they had obtained in the Eastern zone of Germany, inasmuch as the United States had published the information it obtained to the world.

Mr Molotov had been trying hold the Ministers to the Yalta protocol on German reparations, to which President Roosevelt agreed as the basis of discussion for the overall German reparations figure US\$20,000,000,000, of which the Soviet was to get US\$10,000,000,000.

LATEST ATTITUDE But both President Truman and ex-Secretary of State James Byrnes —and now General Marshall—claim that the Yalta reparations protocol was preliminary and that the Potsdam agreement takes its place. The British never agreed at Yalta to the

\$20,000,000,000 figure. General Marshall said to-day, "The position of the United States mination if adequate concessions regarding reparations is that the were made by other countries, partiagreement at Potsdam supersedes cularly the United States. Similar the-preliminary-agreement previous- views had been expressed by official ly reached at Yalta. We will not spokesmen of some follow Mr Molotov in retreat from Dominions. Moscow to Yalta."

MARSHALL ANGRY Marshall's anger was raised by

the series of Molotov charges, all States and Britain, which have been opposing the Soviet reparations plan, have themselves been receiving vost reparations from Germany. Despite General Marshall's categorical rejection of the Yalta protocal, Mr Molotov concluded the the Potsdam decisions were based on Yalta and that the Foreign

Yalta agreement on reparations. During the Japanese occupation marked, "Having reached this fine Palestine has been increased by the of Hongkong, Mr Hallgren was the stage of conciliation, I suggest we Palestine Government.

# Mauriello Suspended.

Boston, Mar. 18, ... Tami Mauriello, Bronz heavyweight who might have been an outstanding challenger for another profitable crack at Joe Louis had he behaved himself, was suspended to-day indefinitely by the Massachusetts Boxing Commission for trying to fight it out with the referee and his opponent, Johnny Shkör, after their fight in the Boston Arena last Friday ended in a technical kayo victory for Shkor.

The Commission also suspended both the boxers' managers. The decision puts the New York State / Boxing Commission on a spot because if it wants outside support in its ban of Rocky Graziano, in an effort to break up gambling, it must forbid Mauriello to box in New York, thereby banning one of the biggest drawing cards.-United

# Future Of Imperial Preference

London, Mar. 18. Divergent views on the future of imperial preferences emerge during the first week of the Empire tariff talks in London, Germany," said M. Bldault, official sources disclosed to-day. Divergence of interests among Commonwealth countries are responsible for opposition among some of them to the abolition, of imperial preferences. Consequently, progress so far has been made and the discussions have not progressed beyond a theoretical exchange views on tariffs and preferences.

Committees have been set up in Commonwealth and Empire countries to examine the attitude on the abolilion of preferences. Australia seeks, it was understood. protection for finished goods in view

of development by her at present of number of industries. Britain and each of the Dominton reportedly received a request from the United States for the elimination

of the system of imperial preferences. CONCESSIONS REQUIRED Britain previously had indicated her readiness to consider such eli-

The Times, editorialising to-day, General Marshall apologised for said the possibility of tariff concesthe time taken, but Mr Molotov sion by the United States were being said to him, "You are very kind." banned if they led to larger imports too menacing to be disregarded. adding: "The diversity of its economic stands and their political designed to prove that the United potency suggest that many interests will continue stoutly to oppose competition from abroad.

The conference is expected to complete its discussions by the end of next week.—United Press.

#### Palestine Immigration Rate Said Increased New York, March 18.

Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, president turning to Hongkong after post-war | Ministers should go back to the of the American Jewish Congress, says he has been advised that the. Mr Ernest Bevin (Britain) re- rate of immigration for Jews into

Rabbi Wise made the announcement at a dinner given last night in Associated Press.

# Prince Philip Of Greece Now A British Subject

Tuesday night's London Gazette announced that Prince Philip of Greece had been granted British naturalisation under the name of Licutenant Philip-Mountbatten.

Princess Elizabeth, heir presumptive cates that the normal procedure has Germany as an economic unit except figured in to-days Chomes disMr Hallgren leaves a widow, who that never had any official backing, on being granted British naturalisato the throne, but it is a rumour been followed by which a foreigner for one condition. That condition Notice that he was seeking tion abandons uny title he may naturalisation set of widespread have." speculation by the press and public about his possible selection as a hus- Philip had no surname of his own,

band for the young princess;

Prince Philip has been constantly | The British Press Association said. mentioned as a possible consort for the form of the gazette notice "Indi-

London, Mar. 19.

since the Greek Royal family which prejudged political and economic In taking the name of Mountbatten started with King George First of he has the same name as his uncle the Hellenes had none. George the Lord Louis Mountbatten. Viceroy First was a prince of Denmark and do facto necessity that provisionally Danish Royal family, is one of those The simple London Gazette and very ancient ruling families without

Attlee's broadcast to the nation to- number of window panes and doors his taking the oath of allegiance to Lieutehant.....Philip- Mountbatten also the constitutional regime."— (Royal Navy).-Associated Press, United Press,

# Bidault Negatives Big Three

#### Won't Accept Plan For Germany

Moscow, Mar. 18. The Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, to-day rejected the Big Three proposals for economic unity of Germany until after Germany's frontier and future political structure were decided.

M. Bidault also rejected the proposals of other members of the Foreign Ministers that there be any Increase in Germany's steel pro-

M. Molotov proposed yesterday that it be raised from 5.180,000 tons to 10,000,000 or 12,000,000 tons an-

M. Bidnult, after a midnight conference with Premier Josef Stalin. showed no signs of backing down from the French position as stated over the last few months. He called for special regimes for the Ruhr and the Sanr

"Strict limitation of consumption of coal and production of steel in Germany, control of which would be insured through a special regime of the Ruhr, would doubtless enable us to be less drastle as regards processing industries to be retained by

#### FLAT REJECTION

M. Bidnult flatly rejected M. Molotov's. General Marshall's and Mr Bevin's proposals to reexamine and raise the level of industry set last March for Germany. The French Minister opened today's session, which was expected to be short due to M. Molotov's dinner at 8 p.m. Moscow time for the visitors and the Soviet delegation reception. for the other delegations at 10:p.m.

Moscow · time. On reparations, M. Bidault called for immediate resumption of transfers of capital goods from the Western zones of Germany for reparationstransfers which the British and Americans stopped last spring because of failure to agree on economic unity. He also stated that France did not "a priori" reject the idea of reparation from current production. But, referring to Anglo-American and Soviet plans to increase the level of industry to make such a programme-possible. M. Bidault sald:

### BIDAULT'S FEAR

"It is to be feared that as a consequence of these proposals, German industrial capacity will be increased in such proportions as to represent danger for the future.'

Referring to the fact that the French have Iron and the Germans coal, he said, "Why does France always have to send iron to Germany and not receive coal?" He said it would be better for the future safely of the world to have steel industries in France rather than in Germany... M. Bidault started his discourse on

the future of Germany by citing three fundamental principles which are the basis of the French position: "Firstly, security—we are determined that Germany shall no longer be able to use her mining and industrial resources in preparation of another war. Secondly, reparations -Germany shall contribute by the transfers of goods and services to recovery from the ruins which are the result of war. Thirdly, equilibrium of German balance payments—it is clear that supplying of Germany ought not to lay a burden on the occupying; powers and that Germany ought to refund to the latter sums for which these powers are creditors on account of expenses for the occupa-

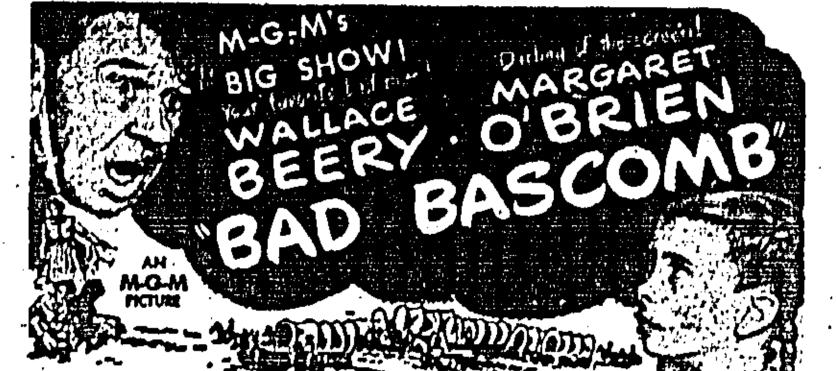
### ECONOMIC UNITY

He then recalled special memos .... Franco already has submitted to the Council on the Snar and the Ruhreconomic incorporation of the Saur into Franco and an international "conomic regime for control of the industrial Ruhr.

Speaking of economic quality, he claimed France never rejected the principle of provisionally considering was incorporation of the Saar into France's economic and monetary

"I would add that the agreement to which we subscribed was not a system in the territories of the Ruhr! we would accept extension of German economic unity, to these territories. "However," as long as the In taking the name of Mount- frontiers of Germany are not fixed "Mountbatten, Philip of Greece, batten he has taken that of his we should be unable to agree to The Press Association said , he . unity., Wo should thereby projudge The date referred to the time of would be known in the future as the future fibhilers of Germany and

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# Sitting on

HE Lord President of the Council, Mr Herbert Morrison, in announcing an economic inquest into the nation's resources, said:

"Morale is not helped by defeatlst utterances and articles. In my opinion there is too much spreading of depression and misery." Was he referring to this unhappy

little column? Maybe not. Maybe he doesn't rend it. But remembering some of its depressed and miserable moods, and remembering that there is to be a Royal Commission of Inquiry into the Press, the No. no). We are all too fond of "Do you think you ought to have column has made up its mind to be more cheerful in future.

It wants the Royal Commission (and Mr Morrison) to smile approvingly when the column is mentioned. It wants them to say, "Here is a morale builder. Here is a tonic for the highest taxed people in the world," and not "This is the grumpy piece that makes the dinner look smaller than it is."

So for this week at least the column and its happy-go-lucky renders will not be living in austere, irritable Britain. They will be living in The Land of Treacle Tart where nothing unpleasant ever happens, where everybody has everything he wants and everybody loves éverybody else.

### The politicians

IN the House of Commons there was a party atmosphere.

Little bunches of flowers had been exchanged between members of the Government and Opposition. There was a vase of flowers on the Mass Observation Society called. An LE had such a handsome, smiling despatch box to prevent. Cabinet east wind whistled under her skirt, II face, this man who was writing into a carefree, happy (If useless) Ministers banging it in anger. Front benchers smiled at front benchers across the floor of House, Back benchers

cheerily to back benchers. The smiling Speaker, his mouth full of toffee, handed round a paper bag of sticky lollipops to members feet nearest the Chair.

Then a kindly faced member of the Opposition rose to move an adjournment of the debate. "I think," he said, beaming round

at everybody, "that I am speaking for the majority of the members of this House when I suggest that noevening (cheers).

"Personally I have forgotten what we were going to debate about (laughter), but I feel sure it was the present rationing system?" asked one of those unpleasant, controver- the official. slal matters which worry us all and . "Me?" said the housewife, "Oh, keep us up late at night and cause plenty. I never have time for more hon, members to say hurtful things than a snack, especially on washing -about other hon, members (cries of days." Shame). We don't want anything like that to happen here (cries of

### WILLIAM HICKEY

# Pub-licity

that beer is likely to be cut by half and a deepening gloom on whisky prospects, the London my husband wouldn't half create Brewers' Council invited me to about it." a planning exhibition.

Alas for toping hopes, it is not supplies that are being planned; these are merely ideas on how lovely. There's still a bit of bomb comfort if there were any.

Brewers want more even distribution of pubs, they are even prepared bed." to give up blitzed sites in the City and elsewhere for town-planning and road improvements in return for more understanding in granting licences in residential areas.

The figures are interesting: In London the relationship of people! to pub varies from 346 to 1 to as high as 2,222 to 1: in the surrounding licensing divisions there is only one with fewer than 1,000 people to each port of call.

tion to the number of drunks. Patsy Fagan!" Canterbury is the most thickly licensed county borough in England and Wales; yet only three are more sober. Though East Ham has fewest pubs per hend, statistically, 18 county boroughs have a better

record for sobrlety. Of every 10,000 people, brewers reckon on 1,500 customers and think that in new residential areas this should be met by one palatial hostelry on road house lines, probably with ballroom or restaurant, and nine

"locals." They insist, too, that we need more elbow room. London's most crowded house has little over two square feet per drinker at peak hours, and lots have only three. More room, they suggest, means better service. More liquor would be better

service still.

MOSE NEWS: Current perfumes fell apart, disclosing Tremi, and be- quirles by Mrs Jutison in the lower selected from one evening's hind him the rear part, played by regions elicited the information that reading of American magazines: an "extra." This "extra" had ar- his lordship had walked into the FRENZY .... INNUENDO .... MY rived late, and dashed on without kitchen, demanded the drink for the SIN .... SHOCKING .... MENACE his braces. He now stood crouch- hunt, kissed the maid, hugged the ....TABU .... INDISCRETION .... ing, with his breeches in a heap cook, and left with all the drink

# Ecnce

# by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

each other (hear, hear). We are all domestic help?" too happy in this happy, prosperous "Help? Me? Don't make me land (loud cheers).

put on the red clonk and hood pro- housekeeping?" vided by the Kitchen Committee "Well, that's another good one, members, sling that sack across his help another couple of ladies." shoulder, and hand a gift to every- "Are you satisfied with conditions body in the House, including those as they are?"

kindly-faced member as the blush- to at least half his wages for houseing Speaker bolted his toffee and keeping? wrapped himself in a red cloak.

#### The housewife

THE British housewife was down on her knees scrubbing the frontdoor steps when the official from the stockings. The wedding ring on In his eyes there was an expression her blue, swollen fingers was worn of saintly tranquillity, the calm, unwaved thin through years of daily immer- troubled gaze of those who have sion in hot water and soda.

"You are Mrs A., of 198b, Para-

dise Dwellings," said the official, "and your husband is a casual worker who is at present—ah—rest- for keeping income tax at its pre-

happy smile, "and that's him all body feels inclined for a debate this right, too. He's resting in bed this very minute with a nice cup of Do you get enough to eat under

"Does your husband cut enough?" "Him?" shouted the housewife, laughing, and she sat back on her heels. "Why, he never stops." "Do you think we are exporting

too much, or do you think we should have more in the shops?" "They can export what they like so far as I'm concerned," said the housewife, "and as for the shops, I never have time to look at them." ."If you were allowed, would you OINCIDING with the news send your next Christmas dinner to the hungry children of Germany?" "Of course I would, the poor little things," said the housewife. "But

"Are you satisfied with your accommodation?"

doesn't sleep on that side of the

"Therefore," he continued, "when as it is." Mr Speaker has finished his toffee "What proportion of his income (loud laughter) I will ask him to does your husband allow you for

(cheers), to say nothing, of the too. When he's working and has white whiskers which were sacrific- paid for his beer and cigarettes and ed and gummed together by one of backed all the wrong horses, there's our older and more irresponsible just enough to buy the rations if I

in the bar (loud and prolonged "Never been happier in my life." "What would happen if you told "Ladles first, please," said the your husband that you are entitled

> "You go and ask him and see what happens to you," said the British happened to my employees. But I housewife, dipping the hearthstone can't bother about them. Neither

#### The letter

revealing the holes in her utility to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, one? abandoned all worldly The official brought out his note- terests, who have at last realised the book and pencil and stamped his profound truth that the fewer wour possessions the happier you are.

Dear Chancellor (he wrote). I dore say I shall be the only man non hardly have to queue at all." in the country writing to thank you sent high level: But as there body so friendly." "That's me," said the housewife, should be peace on earth towards revealing her blue dentures in a men of good will, I thought I would was. Do you remember?" send this letter so that you might have something to encourage you in your great task of bringing us nearer a common income level and good," lowering the wicked pride of those with ambition.

Because I believe, dear Chancel- kippers left." lor, that you are a man of good will, like most members of the Government. I believe you are sincere. that you have the true Christian to the other shop."

In other words, you believe it is wrong that a few should have too name's in that one. I expect it's much money to waste or save while others have scarcely enough to buy necessities. Well, dear Chancellor, I was once gether."

a man with ambition. was born poor, but I worked hard. I started a little business; which grew into a big business. became a member of the middle class, so despised in Russia, but whose sons saved Russia and the rest of the world in the Battle of

I was not a bad employer. people looked after my interests looked after theirs. But I found it all a great worry. I spent sleepless nights working out new "My rooms? Oh, I think they're schemes to improve the business, to make more money, to provide for llquor could be consumed in greater damage in the bedroom where the my wife and family and my old rain comes through, but my husband age. I grew old before my time. I .was.unhappy. \_ I. was ....worshipping. at the shrine of Mammon.

# THE by Beachcomber

DEAR Sir, I find it difficult to believe TETECTIVES called at Frashthat a reputed singer really D worthy Manor where there was greeted Tristram on his entrance to be a meet of the Bulgewick, and

Contract to some opinions, the greeced fine and the first that captain number of pubs bears no relative that vulgar cry, "Hello, warned the Master that Captain Foulenough was at large, riding a

no wonder foreigners say we do dents during the day's hunting. not take opera seriously. If, on the Unless you would call an incident other hand, it is the malicious in- the arrival at the kitchen door, after vention of a sensation-mongering the hunt had moved off, of a gentlejournalist, then an inquiry into man who said, "I am Lord Bitter. Press methods would appear to be They sent me back to get some beer long overdue. I enclose my card. Yours faithfully, "Music-lover."

jection to the reported eccentricities lords isn't what they was." of Rustiguzzi complain that there is rarely any real humour in opera. I Lord Bitter dissent. In Verdi's little-known THAT evening there was nothing about his feet unable to move. there was

### Zubzub el Marshrat

camel, and calling himself Zubzub If the incident actually occurred, el Marshrat. There were no inciand whisky and gin for the midday snack." The stranger then departed, carrying the drink in a large basket, and leaving a pretty kitchen-Several people who have no ob- mald saying to the cook. "Them

"Gli Amucci," the peasant's horse I to drink at Frashworthy Manor. has to sing a melancholy piece Mr Juttson, the owner, raged at the about his hard life. That is funny butler, who said, "Lord Bitter took enough. But I remember a per- it all this morning, sir." "Who the formance in Milan when the singer devil is Lord Bitter?" roared Mr in the front part of the horse-it Juttson. But the guests smiled, a was Tremi-sang so powerfully that secret smile, having heard that Foulhe burst the fittings, and the horse enough was in the district. In-

Now, dear Chancellor, that is all over, thanks to you. As I can see no hope of a substantial decrease in income tax. especially in the higher income groups, I have given up business. I have sold my house. I expect I shall eash in on my insurance

And what a wonderful relief it all is. Instead of spending sleepless nights worrying about work, to pay taxes, to (shall we say?) put Germany back on her feet or keep British troops where they are not wanted. I sleep like a child.

My wife and family will have to look after themselves or be looked laugh. Why, I'm helping two ladies after by you. This, I think, is as it should be. Provision for the future was always an evil - thing, condemned by the Scriptures. We have all observed the degradation of young people with inheritances, of youth dissipating unearned money instend of working for it. We have all met or read about rich and miscrable widows.

As for me, my health has improved because I can't ruin it any more with luxuries, and I shall no ample: doubt achieve a great old age to bless you and future Chancellors of [ the Exchequer for foreing me to live in a same and proper manner.

Of course, I don't know what's

they nor anybody else will be my responsibility any more. So, dear Chancellor, may I thank you once again for relieving me of iny burdens and making what was

#### Ex-Business Man. The queue

once a harassed and unhappy life!

THEY'RE not as long as they

Were." "There's so much fish now that "I must say I miss them." "So jolly they were with every-

"And how funny Mrs. Whatname "She kept everybody laughing." "As good as a play,"

"I always say the fresh air did me "Never felt botter in my life." "Oh, look, here's only one pair of

"You have them, dear." "No, you have them."

"No. I'd rather not, dear. I'll go "There's quite a big queue there." "I know, dear, But Mrs What-

ever so jolly." "Then I'll come with you, dear." "All right, dear. We'll go to-



Supert declares that they must must the black car for the present ed limsh his shopping. But walkin to the shops is too slow for Bili-lidger. "Why shouldn't one of . ride?" he asks. "The trolley hould be strong enough." So they ion a penny. Rupert calls " heads and wins, and soon he is being powled along at a folly pace by Bill. Oo, this is lovely I" he laughs in + jerky voice as he bumps up and

down. "I do hope the wheels will used it!" ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.

#### POCKET CARTOON



"Don't be slily,...no one's going to drop an atom bomb in here!"

## According To Culbertson -

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One trick conceded by the opening lead can; under certain circumstances, turn into a two-trick loss—as in to-day's deal, for ex-

North, dealer

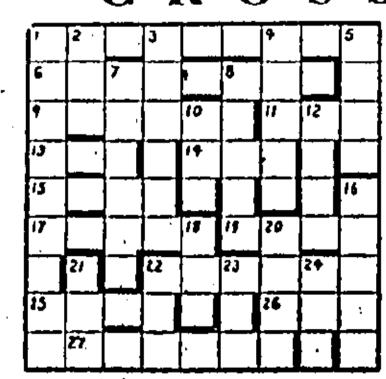
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH AKDBE ♥ K 7 \* K 9 4 Q 7 4 2 WEST EAST **4** 7 2 4 Q 5 & **♥** Q J 10 V 642 **•** 6 5 + 387432 + K 109863 + 5 SOUTH **♦ J 10 g** V A D 8 5 3 ◆ A Q 10 The bldding: 1 shade Pass 4 to frump Pass Pass Pass

Sourt was a bit fancy in failing to show his five-card major suit, and North's four no trump was ducationable. The partners were not using any four no trump convention; hence North's bld over game was merely a discreet proposal for a slam, but his hond was not so much better than a "minny" as to make this course entirely logical.

West's opening lead should have been the heart queen, but he selected the club ten. This would have been sound if he had been defending against three no trump, but it had unfortunate repercussions against the slam. The jnck won and the spade jack was allowed to ride. East won and returned a heart. Now, with only one slim chance for the rest of the tricks, declarer won with dummy's king, cashed his three diamond dricks (discarding a club from dummy), and then carefully cashed the ciub ace before running the spade suit.

When the last spade was played South was not embarrassed for a diseard, but West's sectus was not so enviable. Duminy was being reduced to only two cards-a heart and the club queen. Declarer had the acc-nine of hearts. And West, who still had to discard on the spade, was forced to let go either the club king, promoting dummy's queen or a heart. The first alternative was patently suicidal, so West gave up a heart, and decearer cashed both eards in that suit. Any opening lead other than a club would have meant automatic -



. Passages of sorts. (9) 6. Can be taxed evidently. (8) 9. Speaker on a large mound. (6) 11. Feathered friend in a bemused

14 Natural to collect it on holiday.

26. Its cap does not go ahead. (3) 27. Sec 1 Down. and 27. The compiler tries to balle you in this. (9, 6)

defeat of the contract!

2. Extract from the roaring eights.
(3) 3. Come back (6) 4. Smelling. (5) 5. The lilles didn't toll let alone this. (4) 7. A broken repast. (6) 8. Break break to do this. (5) 10. Initially a training ground for generals. (3) 12. Thus led it mixed. (4)
16. Sees the unknown quantity up-

18. Dexterous in doing anything so as to be unobserved. (3)
20. This way may provide your entrance. (4) 21. It may be worth waiting for. (3)
22. Headdress (3) When brought to the boll did it make the death of 40 lawbreakers ntate. (3)

13. This pose would cause you to 24. Not backward it seems in making the weight. (3)

Bolution of yesterday's puzzle.—Acress:

15. Of course he has vision. (4).

17. The R.N. was the means of doubling the guard like this. (5).

19. Result of a long sitting, but not in Parliament. (4).

20. Blattered. (4).

21. Bo flat that it rides on the water. (6).

22. Blattered. (4).

23. Blattered. (4).

24. Branch: 12. Confusion: 6, Long: 8, Bluare: 10, Zoo: 12. Tor: 15, Teas: 14, Bamos: 15, Corpulent: 16, Hose: 18, Dud; 21, Arm: 17, Course: 3, Corpulent: 16, Corpulent: 16, Hose: 25, Eynstord. (6).

25. Blattered. (4).

26. Blattered. (4).

27. Confusion: 6, Long: 8, Bluare: 10, Zoo: 10, Hose: 18, Dud; 21, Arm: 15, Corpulent: 16, Hose: 18, Dud; 21, Arm: 17, Corpulent: 17, Corpulent: 18, Dud; 21, Arm: 17, Corpulent: 18, Darsmen: 14, Budan: 17, Corpulent: 19, Use: 20, Hard: 21, Agg.

That Reminds Nancy **NANCY** 







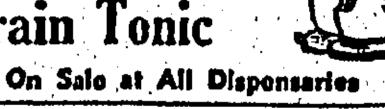


By Ernie Bushmiller

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# Comes This Space Every Day BEAUTY ARTS



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The Teen Age is a modern age to-day, so let us squarely face their questions. If some of the answers must be-"No," then let us decide which of the answers may be

The young skin sometimes isn't as lovely as Nature Intended and that girl needs help to guide her on her way to a lovely skin. Then, too, there are times when a little makeup is pretty important, even Sweet Sixteen. Yes, soap and water cleansing for the girls with perfect skins is fine but it is important to stress how it should be

Every Teen Age girl needs a good complexion soup and a soft-bristle brush. She should use a rich lather and brush it into the skin to cleanse the pores. Then it should be immediately rinsed off with cool water. A very light application of a good tissue cream does wonders in keeping her skin soft and lovely. AND she should use face powder. A good one, very faintly scented, is not only pretty on her skin but it forms a protective covering for the

All girls to-day use lipstick. Let them have one, with your full consent & But-help in choosing a soft, young shade of Red. If you feel that your Teen Age girl should not use makeup every day, then do let





The new body line is the Long Torsol It's a look that is achieved most often through the cut of your dresses and jackets and your foundation garments-but the Long Torso Look you MUST have in order to look 1947!

Make good grooming a part of her ritual. She should learn to brush her eyebrows, to train them in the way they should go. She should use a bit of eye cream, yours if you wish, to groom her Jushes and brows. Her hair should be absolutely gleaming and full of vitality. her teeth, teach her to give her nails good, hot, soapy scrubbings. Let her have a Rose-coloured polish for every day, a deeper one for parties,

Give her a big cake of sweetsmelling soap for her very own! Bulld a little Beauty Shelf where she can keep her own specital toilet articles. This will encourage good grooming. And-she will bless you when she grows older,

# For Spring & Summer

In spite of recent heavy falls of snow, the salons of the big London dressmakers have been crowded by buyers and journalists, from Britain and overseas, who went to see the 1947 spring and summer collections of clothes.

showed a gown in gold tissue with a year ago. a skirt showing six separate draphard-bolled onlookers involuntarily kruptey." applauded as they watched it.

are shown in practically every put it in another form: "It is only the Straits of Gibraltar was land house. Peter Russell's collection— too clear that what were once acsuming the Ice Age 25,000 years ago. knowledged to be breaches of an cluded skirts with turned-up hems accepted moral code are now relike those on the level of the oceans preside the transfer of the oceans president too clear that what were once acsuming the Ice Age 25,000 years ago. In those early times, scientists accepted moral code are now resuming the Ice Age 25,000 years ago. Mosea designed a melon skirt which Associated Press. -had-its fullness accentuated by being pulled under at the hem.

The woollen fabrics from British mills attracted a great amount of interest, and every house reported orders that will keep them busy until well into the spring.

Foremost among the fabrics are the soft duvetyns, doeskins, cloth suitings and tweeds on which the woollen mills have been working hard since the war ended, and the opinion expressed by several of the overseas visitors was that the collections shown would be considered first-class even in ordinary times. In face of the inevitable post-war difficulties the job done by the dressmakers "is nothing short of stupendous," as one expressed it.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"He's so crazy about his grandchildren that I haven't the heart to tell him that's one of the neighbours' children come to borrow sugar!"

# Church Leaders Think Britain Is Facing A Grave Moral Crisis

Many British religious lenders fear that Britain faces a crisis in morals as grave as her crisis in fuel. Skyrocketing divorce and crime rates, falling church attendance and the rise of vice in London's fashionable West End worry churchmen as much as declining production figures harass industrialists and Cabinet ministers.

morality—as some call it—came with the horrors of the blitz and the wartime breakup of families, and darkened more homes in the social upheaval that followed the war.

"Britain's two main problems," said Cardinal Griffin, Roman Catho-lic Archilation of Westminster, on the eve of the power switch-off, "are a decline in moral standards and an increase in crime."

Clergymen and newspapers fret over prostitution—more than 2,000 police protection in Honolulu girls working in the West End alone during two rich war years.

—and over a rise in the number of cases involving cruelty to children, One home where parents mistrents ed small children was described in court as "a Belsen camp all over were crowded with servicemen.

More Divorces

Lord Jowitt, the Lord Chancellor, This source said payments involved estimated that 50,000 divorce sults nearly 50 policemen.-Associated would be filed in 1947, compared Press. with 650 in 1905 and 25,000 in

A former Home Secretary, Viscount Templewood, said that criminal offences by women and children had doubled since 1939, that the number of offenders over 21 was up 42 percent, that sexual offences rose from 2,321 in 1938 to 3,228 in 1947, Teach her the necessity of cleaning that offences by girls were four times more numerous than before the war, and that cases involving 1935 to 1,170 in 1947.

Cardinal Griffin said only 10 percent of England's population was "attached to any form of religious organisation," while only five percent of the people of London regularly attend church.

Organised Prostitution

Prostitution is reported to be organised on a blg business basis in the West End, where the trade

Few in West London, the nation's angles. "vice capital," are impoverished. The Sunday Pictorial reported that some paid £50 a week to gangster organisation for the right to lurk in a murky side street.

than a year ago, but there is still twice as much of it as before the-The evening gowns were more war. In the West End, where the luxurious than any seen since before rate is reported rising, one clinic World War II. Norman Hartnell had 1,000 cases compared with 500

The Roman Catholic Archbishop ings; the effect was something like of Liverpool, Dr R. Downey, put a harem skirt, and it was such a it this way in a pastoral letter to wonderful piece of designing and his churches: "The world has long craftsmanship that the extremely been heading for spiritual ban-

The General Assembly of The off-the-shoulder line is less Church of Scotland, through opular, but near-crinoline skirts committee on Church and Nation, study whether or not the area of with the idea of bringing scouts like those on trougers. Bianca garded by many as quite natural."- sumably was several hundred feet

The Brazilian Government, continuing its open battle against Communism "within the law," is seeking to purge Communists from the armed forces. reports Associated Press.

munists from the Army, Navy and the search for talent.

Air Force, as well as from the Military Police Corps and the Rio de Janeiro Fire Department.

The proposal, however, met strong opposition in the Chamber of Deputies, where it has been temporarily set aside. The Senate has not yet had an opportunity to speak on the subject.

In his message to the chamber, President Dutra said the extremists were secretly plotting against his Government, and that for reasons of national security the heads of the armed forces demanded elimination of all who hold allegiance to antidemocratic doctrines "or who are known to profess doctrines of this

Members of the National Demo-cratic Union, the "loyal opposition" to the Dutra Government, joined the Communist spokesmen. They

Speaking with a strong through the fighting, having narrow American accent and giving his on several occasions.

"Gec, I was quite a big shot," the said the proposed law was "obviously unconstitutional."

# MARRIED LIFE

Rev Francis J. Connell, of the Catholic University of America, told

# **PROTECTION PAYMENTS** IN HAWAII

A Hawaiian territorial tax collector asserted recently that vice and gambling interests paid US\$1,000,000 each year for He estimated that protection pay-

ments exceeded \$1,000,000 each year in 1944 and 1945, when the Islands | outstanding flyers from all over One source, who declined to be named, asserted that one man headed the entire vice and gambling ring,

Britain's highest judicial figure, and received \$1,000,000 for himself.

## DISTORTION UNDER ICE

A submarine operating in Antarctic waters probably could cruelty to children rose from 345 in escape detection by enemy sound devices by diving under floating ice, in the opinion of Albert N. Taylor, of US Naval Research Laboratory, who is a member of the American naval · expedition to the Antarctic.

Using instruments in the Ross Sca ice pack to determine whether they there as well as in clear water, ne speed flight which reached a peak of prosperity during sound pulses, partly because these

Venereal disease is less rampant angles can give the fish views out sociated Press. of both sides of the surface, reports Associated Press.

### GIBRALTAR TO BE STUDIED

search at Harvard University is Headquarters in Britain ansending an expedition to Tangiers, nounced a "Linking-up" scheme where among other things, it will lower than now, and prehistoric man may have been able to walk across the present strait.-Assoclated Press.

## School Talent For Davis Cup

every schoolboy or schoolgirl who scout authorities, Czecho-Slovaklan coaching scheme of the Lawn Ten- sending in applications. nis Association in Britain.



# RAF SPEED ACE TEACHES TEST PILOTS

Group Captain H. J. (Willie) Wilson, who established the world speed record of 606 miles per hour last year, is teaching the globe to be test pilots at a unique school, the only one of

At the Empire Test Pilot School, Wilson is training men from the Royal Air Force, from the United States, from China and from the British Dominions, Aiready 100 flyers have been graduated from the school. The course is expensive in time and money. It costs £10,000 and takes nine months to train a test pilot, but authorities say these trained men will save the aviation industry fortunes in years to come.

#### LIST OF STUDENTS

At the start, the course teaches pilots the technical theories of flying so that later they will be able to discuss stresses, strains and aerodynamics with the same thought as the designer. In the air, they use the latest instruments. The present\_list of students includes:

Flight-Lieutenant N. F. Duke, D.S.O., D.F.C., who was n could reveal the presence of ships member of the RAF highfound ice distorted the path of established the world's speed record of 616 miles per hour; Captain G. pulses hit ice surfaces at peculiar Sonderman, personal pllot of Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands and He compared this distortion to winner of the aerobatic charapionthat which gives a fish in a river ship of Europe in 1938; and J. C. its strange view of the world. The Miles, civilian test pilot for the surface above the fish appears Australian Government, who has opaque, but the light entering in at flown more than 10,000 hours,---As-

# SCOUTS MAKE

Shortly before the end of the The School of Prehistoric Re- recent war, Scout Imperial in different countries together in friendship and understand-

ing. The International Department of the Boy Scouts Association-now-announces-that-605 British scout groups are writing to, and getting letters from

Included in the scheme are scout groups in Holland, France, Norway, Belgium; Denmark, Luxembourg, Poland, Switzerland, the United States, Sweden, Greece, Iraq, Italy, Liechtenstein, Czecho-Slovakia and Supreme honours of Davis Cup or Wimbledon championships are overseas waiting to be put in touch being brought within reach of with British scout groups. French has talent by the new national and Danish, in particular, are still

Scouting began in Britain, but it It is proposed that Britain will be has always welcomed brothers in divided into five areas. Sports other lands, and it is hoped that in masters and mistresses in these this way boys all over the world President Eurico Gaspar Dutra has asked Congress to enact into law a proposal to expel all Communists from the Army, Navy and the search for talent.

| Industress and mistresses in these areas will be coached by expert tutors and import knowledge thus gained to their pupils. Education authorities will be urged to assist in enjoy "meeting" their new pen friends.

# PEN FRIENDS

groups in 16 other countries.

# English Boy, 11, Was 3 Years With U.S. Forces

An 11-year-old English boy who "joined" the United States Army when only eight and was adopted as a mascot by an engineering unit, with whom he stayed during the fighting in Southern France, around Paris and on to Berlin, is providing a problem for the police and immigration authorities at Newhaven, Sussex.

Feltham, Middlesex, he said he young, pale-faced Richard told the was picked up by British mili-tary police in Paris last week. press in a perfect Brooklyn accent. I got the hang of Russian and Ger-man in no time at all, and used to Sent back to Newhaven under interpret for the fellows. After the REFORMURGED IN escort, he immediately escaped war was over, I had a wonderful time. My buddles were swell on landing in England, getting guys." as far as Brighton before he was Jumped Troop Train recaptured.

The boy said his first contact with | sional flashes and campaign ribbons a convention of the US. National the Americans occurred outside an and a special travelling pass. After Catholic Conference on Family hotel in the Midlands after he the armistice, he travelled with his Life: "Unless there is drastic reform escaped from reform school. Tell- unit through France, Belgium, Hol-

Richard was given a specially tailored uniform and army kit, diviin the American attitude toward ing-the Americans he was an or-married life and its obligations, we phan, he was invited by the soldiers shall soon behold here well-nigh to join them. universal practice of sex customs According to Richard's story, he quite similar to those of brute animals.

"Nowadays we see an utterly pagan, materialistic spirit prevailing The engineering unit with which he left and eventually reached Paris, and the Relief regarding all that pertains to mar- found himbelf adopted him as a where the British military police riage."—United Press. mascot and he remained with them picked him up.—United Press.

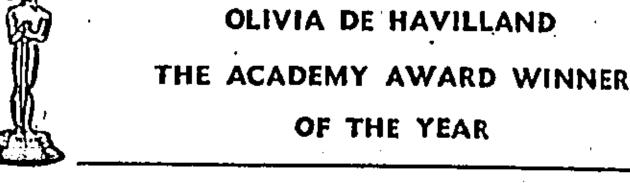


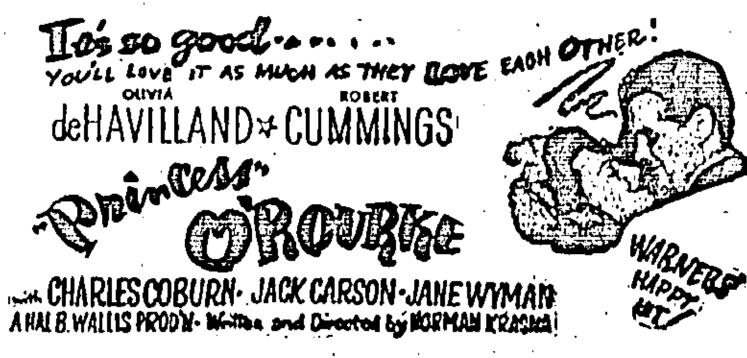
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WAR CODE

Venice, Mar. 18. Field Marshal Albert Kessel-

ring's defence to-day introduced

United States Army articles of

war as evidence that reprisals

against innocent persons, cited

in effect," complemented by Interna-

tional Law, which prohibits reprisals

Mr C.L. Stirling, K.C., law adviser

to the Court, asked Col Halse whe-

Articles Accepted

Col Halse answered that "it is one

thing when innocent persons are the

. The Court accepted the United

"testimonial evidence," and Mr Stir-

Migrant Labour

In Africa

Mr Claude Clarke, an official

on social policy in dependent

committee of 11 experts now meeting

ters, the problem of migrant labour,

affecting dependent territories.

New York, Mar. 18.

Mr Clarke is a member of the

territorics.

especially in Africa.

London, Mar. 18.

against innocent persons.

executed in reprisal."

# Britain Favours Early Japan Peace Treaty And Trade Resumption

London, Mar. 18. A suggestion made yesterday by the Supreme Allied Commander in Japan, General Douglas MacArthur, that the peace treaty with Japan should be signed as soon as possible, was welcomed to-day by the British Foreign Office.

Recalling that a similar suggestion had recently been made by the Australian Foreign Minister, Dr Evatt, a spokesman of the Foreign Office said Britain would favour early conclusion of the treaty, provided it was based on Allied agreement and the British Dominions were associated with the treaty-making.

# Uproar Im Italian Assembly

Rome, Mar. 18. Repercussions of Italy's most sensational political murder since Fascist days caused an uproar in the Constituent Assembly today, with speakers alleging the imminence of a Communist terror, a Fascist revival and civil war.

The slaying of Franco de Agazio, editor of a pro-Fascist weekly newspaper in Milan, provoked an angry debate. Speakers claimed it was another Matteotti affair and demanded government assurances that it would not go unpunished.

Other cases of LeftIst and Rightist political violence in the past three days raised heated arguments and pleas that the authority of the government be enforced to prevent the rebirth of Fascism or civil war.

De Agazlo was killed in gangland style on Friday might after his newspaper identified the man who killed Mussolini and supposedly directed the disposal of a Fascist gold howd.

#### Government Action Asked

Independent . Tullio Benedettl charged in a debate that the government had lot an internal situation develop which "permits liberty of and urged them to "re-establish the prestige and authority of the state."

The Uomo Qualunquist deputy, Vincenzo Selvaggi, said the government must "take the necessary steps or go toward civil war and dictator-

Leftist deputies had to be brought to order by the Assembly President, Communist Umberto Terracina, during both speeches.—United Press.

# Lifeboats Smash Against Ship

Sunderland, Mar. 18. Two men were drowned today when two lifeboats of the Dilona (8,146 ton), a British tanker on passage from Haifa; after she had struck a submerged wrecked off Sunderland.

The seamen in the boats were thrown into the rough seas over which oil from the ship was spread-

To-night the Dilona is drifting towards the shore in a heavy mist and may blow up on beaching. She was within one hour of her destination, Jarrow, when she struck the wreck. Two steam tugs which had been sent to the tanker's help could not reach her because of the danger of fire.

The lifebont rescued the crew many of whom were, Chinese, Eight seamen were taken to hospital .---

# Other Eyes On

Paris, Mar. 18. The Colonial Minister, Marius Moutet, lo-day told the Assembly that if France withdrew from Indo-China "another country" would soon take its place.

The Viet Numb president, Ho Chlminh, does not represent all Viet Namh members and there are Annamites around him who would like to see Ho removed, he said.

in Indo-China because it would not per month, be a "free expression" of the people's "The paper wold the first postwar

Vict Namh leaders signed the ter concluded.-United Press.

On the question of reparations to be paid by Japan, the spokesman pointed out that General MacArthur had already made some preparations by setting aside certain factories as surplus to Japan's post-war needs, but no agreement had yet been reached on their alloca-

The persistent refusal of the as "legitimate" by the German Soviet Government to allow Japan's commander, are condoned by external assets to be included in the American military law. common reparations pool had delayed matters.

that Britain would very much vate trading with Japan, and had in similar to those which Marshal type from the White House, and fact already pressed for this

Britain would, of course, desire a private trading to be on a nondiscriminatory basis, giving equal bunal, where British military law is opportunities to all countries.- i

#### Japanose Labour

ther he could "prove that assertion, Tokyo, Mar. 19. because as far as I know, reprisal The Japanese labour movement against innocent persons is admitted should place its interest in purely bargaining, ahead of its interest in politics and should take care that politics and should take care that it does not, through ill-considered strokes, destroy the fabric of the country, Mr Willard'S. Townsend, former American, member of the International Committee of the World Federation of Trade Unions, told a press conference yesterday.

Mr Townsend made the collowing with Japanese and American corres- States Army articles of war as points during a long conversation movement should adopt a realistic ling read sections dealing with cases ting pressure on Generalissimo policy towards the situation in problems above domestic politics; it persons by way of reprisal.—United adopts a tougher attitude with Commust realise that Japan has emerged Press. from the war a poverty-stricken country; that the duty of all Japanese, insofar as possible, is to work together harmoniously for national reconstruction.

#### Political Aspects

Labour should avoid domination action to aggressors of every port", by political groups of either the extreme left, extreme right or any other kind. Communist infiltration seeks to put political aims of the of the South African Depart- gets prompt and clear-cut answers, Communists ahead of the general ment of Native Affairs, is at- there is little hope of meeting Presiinterests of labour, is to be deplored. tending the ten-day Interna- dent Truman's March 31 deadline for Mr Townsend said labour unions tional Labour Office conference Greece and Turkey.—United Press. in the United States found it advisable never to strike against the government, and Japanese labour

movements may have similar experiences. Labour political demonstrations are inadvisable if their here to examine, among other mataims are purely political and not concerned with labour's special

"The WFTU wants a good, solld labour movement in Japan," he said. Throughout the interview Mr Townsend, who is vice-president of the CIO and president of the American Union of Transport Employees, emphasised that the world labour movement should place emphasis upon problems of labour and not purely political activities.

### Not A Communist

He explained that the Moscow smashed against the ship's side meeting of the WFTU decided to send an international committee to study labour conditions in occupied areas of the Orient following a similar study in Europe. The com- threatened with depopulation,-Reu- that of America,-Reuter. mittee now visiting Japan will study | ter. conditions here and then make recommendations to WETU with a view to bringing the Japanese labour movement into line with the Founder Of General world labour movement.

He sald labour must take care not to destroy industry which gives them the jobs, suggesting mutual cooperation among labour, capital and

Asked to comment on a telegram tion, died to-day at the age of 80. from New York quoting the spokesman of the rival American Federation of Labour that the WFTU mission to Japan was to propagate Com-

He made clear that he was strongly opposed to any Communist effort to dominate Japanese-Inbour. Mr Townsend said lie expected to

## First Postwar Jap Trade Treaty

Tokyo, Mar. 19. The newspaper Asahl to-day published a report that a Japanese Board of Trade representative has signed a trade agreement with the Philippines Government under which,

will at the present time; he added. I trade past between Japan and and teak.

Viet Namh leaders signed the for trade outside the United States. other Oriental hullon also provides We tried to find other woods to for trade outside the United States burn, but we are still forced to burn. intention of abiding by it, the Minis- dollar settlements in New York payts, of Java, to joihers," Dr Sjahrir, the Dutch; export bonney United for March 24; it was learned to-day; at 1-3 Wyndham Street, City of Vic-United Press.

# Fuller Policy Outline Wanted By Congress

TREMARKERS

Washington, Mar. 18. President Truman winds up his brief Key West vacation to-day and flies back to the White House

YOU PUT THEM

to-morrow. The Chief Executive will immediately plunge into a series of conferences, of which the chief will be consultations. with Mr Paul A. Porter, head of the American Mission to Greece, who arrived from Athens yesterday, and Ambassador Lincoln MacVeagh, en route by air from Athens to-day.

DISPOSAL OF

**EX-ITALIAN** 

**COLONIES** 

within next month or two.

settlement.

April 1948.

Associated Press.

provided that some decision would be

colonies within a year after the last

They added there probably would

made up Italy's prewar empire.-

SEEKS SAFETY

**GUAR ANTEES** 

The Soviet Consul this afternoon

called on Dr Che Kuo-lien, Director

of the Shanghai Office of the Minis-

try of Foreign Affairs, seeking a

guarantee for the safety of the

Soviet Consul-General here in view

of the "mounting tide of public

"there is no possible manner of

stopping the expression of patriotic

feelings by the public if such is

The Thames floods spread still

weirs has such a strain been put on

At Maldenhead, the water in the

streets was between four and six

feet deep to-day, below Chertsey the

Thames was three miles wide and at

Hampton, two platoons of Cold-

As the mild weather continued,

Nottinghamshire, Lincolnshire, Here-

In the Fen country of Norfolk and

the Island Ely, hundreds of men and

women worked desperately through-

out the night to hold back the flood

one bad break, inundating a com-

MARTIN BEHRMAN'S

Order To Captain

Batavia, March 18.

paratively small area.-Reuter.

stream Guards have been filling

them in the upper reaches.

within the law."-Reuter.

Shanghai, Mar. 18.

London, Mar. 18.

London, Mar. 18.

President Truman has kept counsel, asked the Court to accept abreast of the Moscow talks and The Forden Office spokesman said the Army articles of war because world reaction to his new foreign "they contain examples of reprisals against innocent persons entirely policy pronouncement by tele-Kesselring has cited as legitimate." hence would not find it difficult The prosecutor, Colonel R. C. to resume work. Yesterday he Halse, opposed the move because the trial is being held before British even watched newsreels of himand not an American military tri- self making the now famous speech to Congress.

One thing the President must consider is the Congressional de- that representatives of the Big threatens the hasty aid to Greece cedural talks on disposal of and Turkey as the President wants. Italy's prewar empire.

A powerful group of Senators, some members of the House, now insist upon such a definition before Congress approves the \$400,000,000 which it will cost to check Communism in the Eastern Mediterto London to examine the question victims of reprisal as in the case of ranean. The group has submitted nerial bombing," and another thing three major questions to the White "innocent persons are deliberately House:

#### Three Major Questions

1. Is the Administration still putwhere American military law Chiang Kal-shek to make peace with permits the execution of innocent the Chinese Communists while

2. Why does the State Depart- be "many claims" for future ownerment persist in asking the approval ship of Tripolitana, Cyrenaica, Eriof Congress for the shipment of trea, Ethiopia and Italian Somaliland \$25,000,000 worth of oil refinery which with the Dodecanese Islands, equipment to Russia when everyone knows lend-lease has expired? 3. Why is a portion of the \$350,-000,000 European relief programme earmarked for Soviet-dominated Po-

The group insists that unless it

### BEVIN'S REPLY TO-MOLOTOV-

Moscow, Mar. 18. The committee is consultative and Mr Bevin's reply to M. Molotov's its members do not represent their proposal to discuss-China at the Big governments even if they occupy Four Foreign Ministers conference government positions. Their recomin Moscow has been delivered, it mendations will not necessarily be was learned - authoritatively here limited to the work undertaken by the Labour Office, but may call attention to new problems or to new

The details are not yet available, methods of dealing with problems but the reply is believed to be The conference, which was opened parallel to that given by Gen by the Colonial Secretary, Mr Arthur George Marshall, United States Creech-Jones, is primarily interest. Secretary of State, who refused to Records Beaten ed in migrant labour, particularly in join in any discussions on China the African continent, where the but agreed to the exchange of written standard of living in villages is often information.

standard of fiving in vinages mass migration | Circles close to the British delegation | more to-day until in many places the to towns. This in turn crowds the tion feel that Britain's interest in record 1894 levels have been passed. towns while whole rural-areas are such discussion is not as great as Never since the waters were con-

#### Red Shirts Move Into Peshawar Motors Dead

The Exchange Telegraph reporting sand-bags with clay and erecting Mr William C. Durant, organiser from Peshawar to-night said on barriers to protect the works supof General Motors, giant American unarmed army of 2,000 Red Shirls plying one third of London with domotor car manufacturing organisa- (Servants of God) have moved into mestic water. motor car manufacturing organisa-Peshawar to rescue 30,000 Hindus Mr Durant twice held and twice and Sikhs, who have been trapped in the fliods spread to new areas in lost control of the firm. He was a riot-torn sections of the city since the Midlands, including Derbyshire. daring plunger in investments, an March 10, The Red Shirts, who subscribe to fordshire and Worcestershire.

excellent judge of the motor car industry and knew the trade from its Gandhi's non-violence creed, will not a Communist. That is all I have carliest transition from wagon help police restore order, the dispatch sold.—United Press.

# Indonesians Batavia, Mar. 18.

Dr Sutan Sjahrir, Republican Indonesian Premier, said to-day that Indonesians may be compelled to burn rubber as fuel on railways to protect the teak export industry. He said valuable teak is being used now.

manufacturing.--Reuter.

"We cannot get coal through | Ho continued: "It would be certhe Dutch blockade, and we have donesian Government, which has no other form of transportation, been keeping these rubber estates in it is understood, the Philippines will The Japanese burned teakwood condition without any chance to ex-A referendum has not been held export 150 tons of hemp to Japan during the occupation and al- port the products to maintain costs, most destroyed our stands of it we could use it either as surface

Commercial Company and bilateral some teak in hadling food from some ducis of Indonesia which is not under before the Dutch military authorities. South China, Morning, Post, Limited

## **HUNGARY:**

HODGES

ONE LAST LONG LOW WHISTLE.

# LONDON MAY PROTEST TO SOVIETS

London, Mar. 18. Official circles said to-day the Foreign Office was considering sending another note to the Russians in protest against Soviet interference in Hungarian internal affairs.

They said a new British note would parallel the second American note on the "Kovacs case," and its general political implications.

These circles said the Foreign · Official British sources said

The Foreign Office last night received a Bulgarlan note expressing policy toward Communism in China as well as in the Balkans, which in London for preliminary pronewly-issued banknotes.

> The Bulgarian authorities original-A Foreign Office spokesman to-day by refused to make an exchange, declared that Britain, the United alleging that members of the British States, France and Russia were in Mission engaged in "speculation," consultation and added that they pro- which was strongly denied by the bably would send special delegates | Foreign Office .- United Press.

of the big powers had ratified the tors at the first postwar British In-Officials said this probably would dustries Fair is now complete. A record number of 3,131 manufacfix the deadline sometime during turers will occupy approximately 835,000 square feet in the greatest national trade fair ever held.

Open from May 5 to 16, the Fair provides accommodation for 1,287 exhibitors at Olympia and 866 at Earl's Court, making a total of 2,153 in the London section, where the lighter industries will be exhibited. The Engineering and Hardware section will open simultaneously at Castle Bromwich, Birmingham, where 978 manufacturers will be represented.

minutes earlier than the time stated

Airmall: Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Sydney, Auckland, London, 3.30 p.m. Dr Che Kuo-lien assured him that steps will be taken to see that such a guarantee is forthcoming by Seamall: the proper authorities, although

Salgon, 3 p.m. Kongmoon, 4 p.m. Macao, Tsinshan, Shekki, 4 p.m. Halphong, 3 p.m. Straits, 3 p.m.

Thursday, March 20

Tsingtoo, 3.30 p.m. Haiphong, noon. trolled by a system of locks and

Pakhoi, Holhow, Tsamkong, 2 p.m. Manila, noon. Kongmoon, 4 p.m. Macao, Tsinshan, Shekki, 4 p.m. Canton, 4 p.m. Friday, March 21

Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi,
Basra, Cairo, Johannesburg, Augusta,
Marseilles, London, New York,
Canada, 3.30 p.m.
Kunming, Canton, Hollow, 3.30 p.m.

Hangkok, 10 a.m. nta ot

Straits, noon. Shanghal, 2 p.m. Bangkok, 3 p.m.

Canton 4 p.m.

# waters. So far there has only been

ZBW on 845 kilocycles from 12.30 to 0.52 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 12.30 to 1.15, 0.30 to 7.30 and 9 to

Rudy Gray, captain of the solzed American freighter. Martin Bohr- Printed and published by Frederick

Office also had considered whether to dispatch further note to the Bulgarian Government for its failure to apologise for having sent the militin to the British Mission in Sofia last week.

## The Allies' peace treaty with Italy POSTWAR BRITISH reached on the future of the Italian INDUSTRIES FAIR

The allocation of space for exhibi-

### **OUTWARD MAILS**

sentiment, which is regarded as below. - Wednesday, March 19

> USA, Central and South America. Canada (via Scattle), 3 p.m.

Canton, 4 p.m.

Airmall:

Foothow, Shanghal, Peiping, Canton, Chungking, Amoy, Nanking, Hankow, Swatow, Amoy, Foochow, 10 a.m. Straits, Batavia, Sourabaya, Macassar, Bangkok and Swatow, noon.

Shanghal, USA, Central and South America, Canada (via San Francisco),

Kongmoon, 4 p.m. Macao, Tsinshan, Shekid, 4 p.m.

#### BROADCAST TO-DAY'S

CARGO

New York, Mar. 18.

The American owners of the liberty ship, Martin Behrman, learn that despite their protests to the Dutch Government against the ship's selzure, its cargo of rubber, sugar and quinine, which the Dutch had removed, is being requisitioned for export by the Dutch Director of Economic Affairs, Mr. J. E. van Hoogstraten—United Press.

Ogio, Dinnit Shore (Vocal) and Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra, 7, London Relay: World News; 7.10, London Relay: World News; 7.10, London Relay: With Plano Accompantment by Betty Drown; 7.30, Studio: "I Bring You Music"—Classical Request Piogramme arranged by Lynn Frazer: 8.30, With Elgar: 9, London Relay: News; 9.10, Studio: Hand Concert by the Regimental Band of the 2nd. Battallion of the West Yorkshire Regiment (Prince of Wales Own) Under the Direction of Bandmaster B.B. White ARCM: 9.45, "Stars Farade"—Stage and Film Favourites of To-day & Yesterday; 10.15, London Transcription Service: "A Case for Paul Temple" Episode & "In White Mr Layland tells the truth"; 10.45, "Twilight Melodies"; 11, Close Down. 0:30, Dinah Shore (Vocal) and Tommy

# KING MOVED BY INDIANS' WELCOME

Petermaritzburg, Mar. 18. King George VI, browned by the sun and wind, and creek in a white naval uniform—his state garb on these occasionswas visibly moved yesterday by an uproarious demonstration of goodwill by massed Indian youth estimated by municipal and school authorities to number

Gathered in a huge oval open space, the boys and girls and many of the elder men, wearing the richlycolcured traditional saris, formed the largest gathering of Indians the Royal Family have yet seen on this tour. The youths cheered, displayed flags and presented physical culture exercises while their elders looked on and applauded.—Associated Press.

# - SHOWING TO-DAY -



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